

Our mission is to create a safe, respectful evidence-based learning environment where a diversity of student learners feel: Valued, actively engaged, challenged, and supported to achieve success and maximum independence post-school.



HAMLYN VIEWS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | November 2022

2022 KEY DATES

Friday 2nd December 2022

International Day for People with a Disability

Monday 5th December 2022

CoastCare Week – Resource Smart
Student Leaders High Tea – 11am

Monday 12th December 2022

Santa Visit

Tuesday 13th December 2022

Step Up! Day

Friday 16th December 2022

Raffle Draw – 2pm
Year 12 Graduation

Tuesday 20th December 2022

Last Day of Term 4 – 1:30pm finish

Tuesday 31st January 2023

First Day of Term 1 for Students



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Principal – Suzanne Armstrong

School Council President – Ingrid Jennings



2022 AFL PREMIERSHIP CUP TOUR



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Principal News

Dear parents and carers,
We are now on the countdown to the end of the school year. There are only 12 school days remaining. It has been a busy time over the last few weeks with student assessments, Individual Education Plan reviews, report writing and Student Support Group (SSG) meetings. We are looking forward to celebrating Christmas with some special activities.

Year 12 Graduation

Graduation for our Year 12 student will be on Friday 12th December with some special fun activities planned. We will be also announcing the Richard Marles Student Leader Award winners on this day.

2022 Yearbook

Staff have been busily collating our annual Yearbook that will be provided to families via SeeSaw by the end of the year. Thanks to Bianca Tyler and her team for coordinating this year's edition.

School Concert

Again, a big thank-you to everyone who contributed and supported this year's Concert. Annie Malesic will be sharing a video copy of the concert on a SeeSaw link shortly.

International Day of Disability

We marked 'International Day of Disability' today with students participating in Karaoke & Dancing in the gym, led by Bingyao, Abhi Sarvananthar and Paul Tyson.

It was great to see so many people acknowledge this special day by wearing a splash of **orange**.

Geelong Premiership Cup Visit

As a Geelong supporter I was thrilled to see and touch the Premiership Cup on Wednesday. Thanks to Cathy from the Geelong Cats for visiting us and to Sharon Miguel for coordinating the activity.



PASS Awards Night

It was lovely to celebrate Rachel D'Cruz's achievement being shortlisted for the PASS Outstanding Graduate Teacher Award at Marvel Stadium in early November. Whilst not the eventual winner, Rachel can be very proud of this public acknowledgement of her work this year.



Staffing Matters

During this term we have undertaken a large recruitment program that will continue over the next few weeks. We are close to finalising the appointment of a large number of roles and new staff for 2023. We will also have a few staff departing for various reasons. I am pleased have a new, expanded leadership team in place for 2023 that should support our whole school improvement work, and assist us to coach and mentor our growing workforce. A 2023 staff list will be provided at a later date.

Most new teachers will be attending Wednesday 7th December for a Transition/Induction Day and again on school Step-Up Day on Tuesday 13th December. Parents/Carers will be informed about their child's 2023 class group prior to Step-Up Day.

Finally, I will be taking a short period of Long Service Leave from Thursday 8th December to Thursday 15th December to travel interstate with my husband Victor for our annual trip to the Adelaide Cricket Test Match. I am grateful to Ashley Kalkandis for assuming the Acting Principal role during this time.

Yours in educational partnership,

Suzanne Armstrong
Principal



Changes to school term dates 2026

There have been changes to Victorian school term dates for 2026. This will provide an opportunity for Victorian communities to participate more broadly in the 2026 Commonwealth Games.

The 2026 Commonwealth Games will take place across regional Victoria from Tuesday 17 March to Sunday 29 March 2026, with Geelong, Bendigo, Ballarat, Gippsland and Shepparton hosting a range of activities and events for 20 different sports and 9 para-sports.

The 2026 Victorian school term dates are:

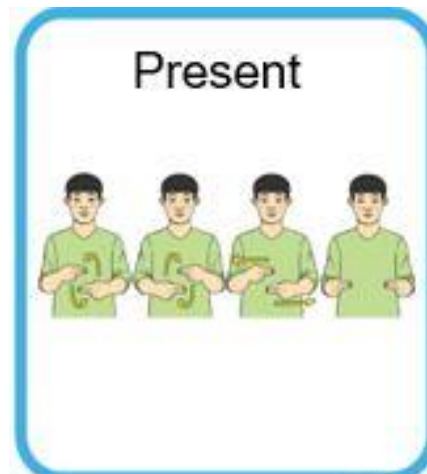
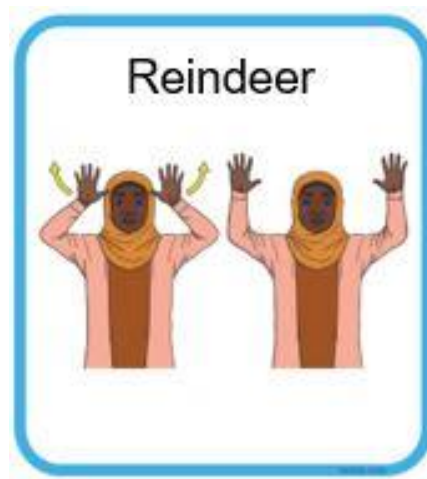
- Term 1: Tuesday 27 January to Friday 13 March 2026
- Term 2: Monday 30 March to Friday 19 June 2026
- Term 3: Monday 6 July to Friday 18 September 2026
- Term 4: Monday 5 October to Friday 18 December 2026.

For the list of school term dates until the end of 2030, refer to [School term dates and holidays in Victoria](#).

Christmas Auslan Signs

Here are a few Christmas signs you might like to learn with your family! If you are wanting to learn more signs, the 'Auslan Dictionary' is a fantastic free app you can download from the app store, where you can search for specific words and watch short videos of the signs. Link to the Auslan dictionary app:

<https://apps.apple.com/au/app/auslan-dictionary/id1531368368>



Allied Health News

Choir and Communication!

Our school choir has been running for 5 weeks now, and the students are having a lot of fun and practising new skills. The choir is run by Music Therapist Bingyao, Speech Pathologist Zola, and Allied Health Assistant Ali.

You may wonder what Choir has to do with Speech Therapy? There are loads of reasons why music and singing are beneficial to communication. Here are some of the areas of communication we work on during Choir:

- Receptive Language
- Listening Skills
- Articulation
- Word recognition
- Turn taking skills
- Voice intonation
- Voice volume modulation
- Understanding syllables and rhythm of language
- Rhyme recognition
- Speech rate and clarity

As you can see, not only is Choir loads of fun, but we also work hard on a variety of communication skills. We look forward to continuing to enjoy sharing music and singing together with our students this term and into next year as well.

Zola, Hamlyn Views Speech Pathologist



1

Use core words like "up," "on," "yes," "no," & "more" as you decorate a holiday tree.

2

Pull printed words from a hat & work together to make a silly poem...then share it!

3

In a holiday story, when "see," "want," or "said" is read use AAC to speak the word then do a silly action.

4

Describe the weather. Draw a picture or use graphics on a computer to show it.

5

Take turns hiding a holiday item in the room. Use AAC to say "hot" or "cold" to help the other person find it.

6

Roll a dice then try to find that many words beginning with a particular alphabet letter.

7

Display a picture of a reindeer. Take turns finding words on AAC to describe the deer.

8

Print & play a winter memory game. Practice taking turns & using words like "next," "where," "see," or "good."

9

Use a holiday book focus set from coreworkshop.com to practice core words & reading.

10

Pull images of toys & office supplies from Santa's bag & ask if the student would want it as a gift.

11

Practice or learn numbers. Count reindeer, lights, gifts, candy, etc. Put in order least to most.

12

Try sequencing. Match pictures of lights in a particular order. Use words like "first," "then," or "next."

13

Put vocabulary words in gift bags. Open them then find those words with AAC & use them in a sentence.

14

Wrap a present together. Focus on choosing what to give, which box or bag, what paper or bow to use, etc.

15

Throw snowballs (rolled socks, pom poms, etc) at a core board then find the word you hit on your AAC device.

16

Write a letter to Santa using AAC or look through a catalog to describe fun gift options.

17

Use instructions words to build a snowman. Hat "on" head, eyes "above" the nose. etc.

18

Use "go" and "stop." Take turns dancing while holiday music plays & freeze when it stops.

19

List some words on papers. Pull one out and race to see who can find it on AAC first.

20

Decorate cookies with frosting & candy. Practice color words to tell what to add.

21

Winter can be cold. Have layers of warm clothes and choose what to "put on" to keep warm. Be silly!

22

Work together to fill out a holiday MadLib (many free online) then read the result & share it!

23

Take turns telling holiday themed jokes (pre-print a bunch). Decide if they are funny or not.

24

Make a video tour of holiday favorite things. Choose together what to show & say about each item.

25

Talk about the things that matter most, especially the people you care about.

AAC ADVENT CALENDAR



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School Council November Report

At this week's School Council meeting the following items were discussed.

- School Policies reviewed – Electronic Communication and Visitors Policy
- School Policies ratified – Drug and Alcohol, Vehicle Usage and Safety Policy
- OH&S and Child Safe school updates
- The Swim School hire agreement renewed for 2023
- Kardinia Community Services no longer a School Chaplaincy provider. Currently procuring a new Chaplaincy provider to enable Paul Tyson to continue in the role.
- Donations from the Salvation Army, along with school council funding, will support the purchase of Santa gifts for students.
- A consultation process is underway for an upgrade to Hamlyn Reserve opposite the school.
- A thank-you to parents/carers for feedback about this year's school photos. It was decided to continue with MSP Photography in 2023 and discuss options with them early in the year, prior to photos.
- Student Free Days for 2023 confirmed
 - Friday 27th January
 - Monday 30th January
 - Monday 10th July (First day term 3)
 - Monday 13th November (Report Writing Day)



Parent Information Session

You are invited to learn about TheirCare!

Exceptional Before and After School Care Programs
coming in 2023 to Hamlyn Views School!!



Where: Online via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82880678060>

When: Monday 12th December 2022 at 6:30PM

The session runtime will be brief – please allow up to 30mins

Learn more at
theircare.com.au or call 1300 072 410



Save up to 85%
with the Child
Care Subsidy

We're getting ready for FUN!

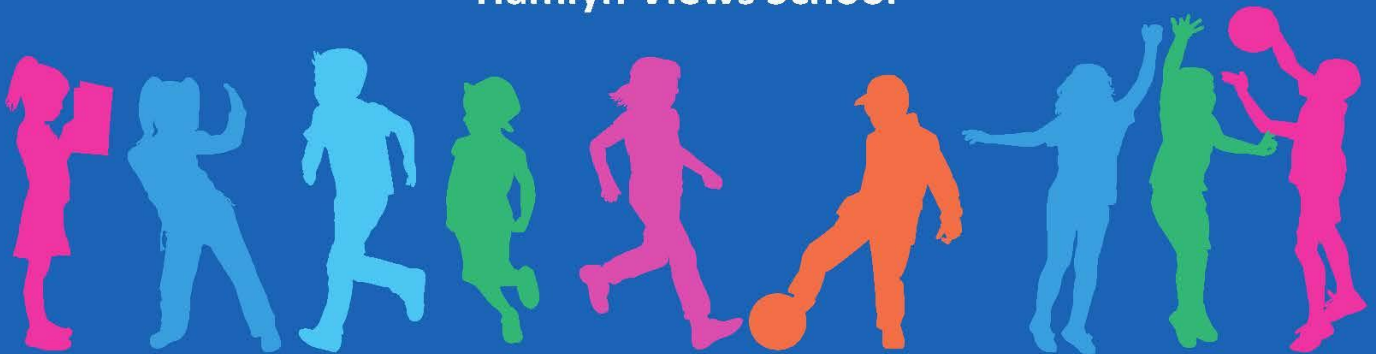




TheirCare
Where Kids love to be!

Amazing Before + After School Care Programs

Hamlyn Views School



About the program

TheirCare provides adventurous and stimulating Before, After, and School Holiday Care Programs in a safe environment for all children. During sessions children develop life skills, friendships, confidence and creativity through play.

Hamlyn Views School has partnered with **TheirCare** to provide this service to your school which includes quality care, booking flexibility, amazing programming for your children and commitment to deliver on our promise to your school community.

Operation Times	Monday-Friday	Fees*	Out of Pocket	Average^
Before School Care	7:00am – 9:00am	\$22.50	\$4.36 - \$22.50	\$5.64
After School Care	3:00pm – 6:30pm	\$29.50	\$4.43 - \$29.50	\$6.20
Pupil Free Day	7:00am – 6:00pm	\$70.00	\$10.50 - \$70.00	\$14.70
Holiday Program	7:00am – 6:00pm	\$70.00	\$10.50 - \$70.00	\$14.70
Late Booking Cancellation Fee	Within 48 hours	\$5.00		
Cancellation Fee	Same Day	Full Fee		

Service Phone Number: 0419 100 054

Your service coordinator will be available during session times. TheirCare support is available during office hours if required on 1300 072 410

How to Enrol

Visit **TheirCare** website: www.theircare.com.au and click on 'Book Now' in the top right hand corner to register your child's details.

*Standard fees excluding incursion / excursion costs

^Based on ABS published average family income for the suburb the school is located

How to Register



Register your child

Using our online booking system



Log in

Make or amend a booking



Holiday Programs

Fun, stimulating and inclusive

Welcome To TheirCare

How to Register Guide:

Registration and bookings are completed online at www.theircare.com.au and usually takes approx. 15 to 20 minutes to complete.

When completing your child's registration there will be some information and documents that you will need on hand to complete the registration process.

This includes...

- **Centrelink CRNs for yourself and the child you are enrolling**
- **Credit card or bank account details for direct debit purposes**
- **Emergency contact details in case you are not contactable in an emergency**
 - **Authorised nominees for drop off and collection**
 - **Doctor, Medicare, immunisations details for your child**
 - **Any medical or health details for your child**

FAQs can be located on our website:

<https://theircare.com.au/how-to-register/>



Victorian Child Safe Standards

PROTECT
Protecting children & young people
from abuse is our responsibility

Child Safe Standard 1 – Establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued.

Child Safe Standard 2 – Ensure that child safety and wellbeing are embedded in school leadership, governance and culture.

Child Safe Standard 3 – Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

Child Safe Standard 4 – Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Child Safe Standard 5 – Equity is upheld and diverse needs are respected in policy and practice.

Child Safe Standard 6 – People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice

Child Safe Standard 7 – Ensure that processes for complaints and concerns are child focused.

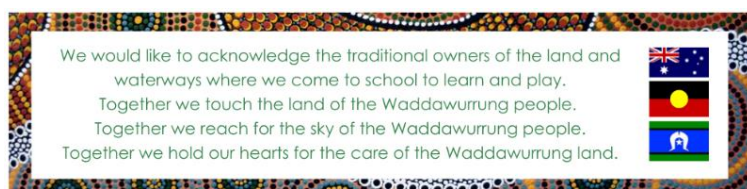
Child Safe Standard 8 – Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.

Child Safe Standard 9 – Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.

Child Safe Standard 10 – Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.

Child Safe Standard 11 – Policies and procedures that document how schools are safe for children, young people and students.

Ministerial Order 1359 provides the framework for child safety in schools.



Hamlyn Views School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people and has zero tolerance for any form of child abuse.

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Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour

Parents, carers, staff and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive and respectful.

Good relationships are based on:



Open and honest communication



Trust and respect



Working together



Fair and reasonable expectations by all

These behaviours are **not** okay in our school community:

- ⊗ Threats
- ⊗ Violence
- ⊗ Rudeness
- ⊗ Harassment
- ⊗ Discriminatory and derogatory comments
- ⊗ Aggression
- ⊗ Intimidation
- ⊗ Threatening gestures

This includes in-person, over-the-phone, email, text message, social media and online.

For more information ask your school about the **Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy**.

HAMLYN VIEWS SCHOOL

2022 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

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